

- I am the bread of life (John 6:35)
- I am the light of the world (John 8:12)
- I am the gate (John 10:7)
- I am the good shepherd (John 10:11, 14)
- I am the resurrection and the life (John 11:25)
- I am the way, the truth and the life. (John 14:6)
- I am the true vine. (John 15:1)

#### John 15:1-8

#### Jesus is the real source of life

I am the true vine...John 15:1

He broke up the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted it with the finest vines. He built a tower in the middle of it and even dug out a winepress there. He expected it to yield good grapes, but it yielded worthless grapes.

Isaiah 5:2

#### God is our audience

I am the true vine, and my father is the gardener.

John 15:1

Every branch in me that does not produce fruit he removes, and he prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit.

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My Father is glorified by this: that you produce <u>much</u> fruit and prove to be my disciples.

# To bear fruit is to see God produce Christlikeness in you.

Answered Prayer: If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you want and it will be done for you.

John 15:7

Experience God's Love: If you keep my commands you will remain in my love,

John 15:10

Inexhaustible Joy: ...my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.

John 15:11

Love for others: No one has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends.

"love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control"

Galatians 5:22–23

"sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions, and many more evil acts Galatians 5:19-20

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If anyone does not remain in me, he is thrown aside like a branch and he withers. They gather them, throw them into the fire, and they are burned. John 15:6

This is the will of him who sent me: that I should lose none of those he has given me but should raise them up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father: that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him will have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

John 6:39-40

I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all. No one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

John 10:28-29

The branches that bear fruit are pruned so that they will bear <u>much more</u> fruit

...he prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit.

John 15:2

I have told you these things so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.

#### As branches in the true vine, we must remain connected to the source

Remain in me, and I in you. Just as a branch is unable to produce fruit by itself unless it remains on the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without me.

John 15:4-5